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Rocky Curlers Trophy Won by Local Rinks

Strathmore curlers won the Canadian Bank of Commerce Challenge Cup for curling, recently, when rinks skippered by Al Morton and Ray Wilkinson downed two Rockyford rinks led by Ralph Stone and Art Dunsmore on Strathmore ice. The Cup has been held by Rockyford for several years past.

Personnel of the winning rinks from Strathmore were Ray Wilkinson, George Groulx, J. Buchner, and Arnold McLaughlin; Cliff Isom, Al Morton, Tommy Taylor, and Bill McNeill, while members of the Rockyford Rinks were Ralph Stone, Lawrence Roppel, Carl Geeraert, and Donnie Dawn; Art Dunsmore, Charlie Conroy, W. Cunliffe, and T. Beestead.

New Fridge at Grill

A shiny new refrigerator has been installed at the King Edward Grill recently, replacing the old machine which was constantly breaking down and requiring repair. Finished in white enamel, the machine added greatly to the satisfaction of the staff, and according to Mrs. Saunders, to the appearance of the Grill, though she feels sure it will have to dress up the rest to match.

In addition, the cooler in the kitchen has been built over by John Spirens, owner of the hotel, and is now efficiently equipped with a modern refrigerator unit. Several loads of sawdust were used to insulate the outside of the cooler, following which the refrigerator unit itself was installed. Copper wire coils run from the outside of the plant to the inside carrying the cooling fluid, and are capable of

Namaka Children Aid European Childrens Fund

Aid to the fund for relief of European Children was contributed by many students at the Namaka (now) school recently, when a total of \$18.89 was turned in by the children. Appreciation of their spirit, in realizing the plight of the less fortunate children, and helping them, was expressed by P. R. Bazant, principal. Miss T. McLean, junior room teacher, assisted in the collection.

Contributors from the Junior Room were: Donna Stettner; Donald and Carl Elsen; Ralph Tiede; Herta Janzen; Emma Tiede; Lora Janzen; Barbara Thompson; Aase Eltzen; Walter Nickel; Raymond Newell; Charlie Wadsworth; Arthur Williams.

Contributors for the Senior Room were: Janzen Children; Mary and John Elsen; Martha and Mira Wilson; Erna and Shirley Steed; Fawkes Children; Mary Lepp; Margaret Edwards; Mary Mackie; Erna Nickel; P. R. Bazant.

IMPRESSIVE EASTER SERVICES

All churches held impressive Services Easter Sunday, with capacity congregation attending each.

At the Strathmore church, following quickly dropping the temperature, and maintaining an even cold level. The improvement adds considerably to the storage capacity of the Grill.

Lions See Safely Films

A large turnout of Lions was present at last Thursday's meeting, when Messrs. Ed Godfrey, Charlie Cole, and Fred Hillon entertained for the dinner.

Present at the dinner was Miss Bernice Welshimer, the Lions' successful Queen in the recent carnival which was presented by W. R. Springthorpe, on behalf of the club, with a lovely good compact. Miss Welshimer very nicely thanked the members, and expressed her pleasure at being their queen.

Winner of the Scott Pot during the evening was Len Roberts.

Guest speaker for the evening was Mr. Wm. Ritson-Bennett, in charge of the Red Cross Society's swimming safety campaign. Mr. Ritson-Bennett spoke of the work the campaign is doing, and which it hopes to accomplish. Life-saving is a negative approach to water safety, he stated, and the safety work is positive. (In this connection it is interesting to note that only about ten percent of the prairie population can swim with reasonable safety to themselves.)

To help illustrate his talks, Mr. Ritson-Bennett showed a series of films, dealing with water safety work and water rescues. He mentioned the swimming school being held in Edmonton during the Easter school holidays, and a meeting of the Community Council held following the Lions meeting. It was agreed to send Miss Elsie Baldwin to this school in order that she may be able to assist in water classes at the pool this summer. It is hoped also to be able to arrange for a supervisor from the graduates of the class.

Continuing the safety program, Mr. R. J. Milligan showed a CPR film strip dealing with auto-train accidents at crossings. The vivid portrayal of common accident caused much interest among the many members present. Most were amazed to learn that fifty-two percent of all train collisions are occasioned on level crossings, in the day time.

NEW CHOIR GOWNS WORN

At the United Church on Sunday evening, the choir appeared for the first time in their new gowns, adding a distinctly impressive touch.

The new organ is receiving general satisfactory approval. The sermon by the Pastor was on his usual high plane and the solo, "I Know That My Redeemer Liveth," by Mrs. Walter Mercer delightfully rendered.

Sunday April 11th a service of Dedication for the Organ and Gowns will be held.

CHEADLE NOTES

—By B. W.—

A number of friends gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. Russell to help him celebrate his birthday. Five hundred was played. Prize winners were Hugh Hazel Heckle and Earl Lowry; Low—Lucy Welshimer and Clarence Ladd. After a delicious luncheon served.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Payne and family and Phyllis Wathes spent the Easter holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Red MacDougall.

Master Robin Kemp has been visiting with Wayne Miner.

Plan Drive for Golf Course

Only a small group turned out to the meeting of the Golf Club on Wednesday evening, owing in large part to the unreliability of the roads, which prevented many interested country residents from changing the drive. However considerable interest was produced, and plans were laid to push the golfing for this season.

A considerable amount of work is necessary on the fairways and greens, it was pointed out, but this could be well in hand by the time the season opened. Feeling of the meeting was that the only way to assure successful operation was to hire a caretaker, who would be on the grounds to collect green fees and to oversee the course generally. G. H. Patrick was elected president at the meeting with L. R. Jones vice president, and Bert Donovan secretary-treasurer.

A hearty vote of appreciation was extended the continuing executive for the successful manner in which they had operated the club over the past few years. Taxes and all other contingencies are paid, it was pointed

ed out, and the club has a small balance in the bank. Members of this group were G. H. Patrick, T. S. Hughes, and Ray Ferguson.

Considerable support was expected to be received from Calgary golfers if the club were opened up, since it was foreseen that many of them would find it easier to drive from Calgary and play a round here than to wait two or three hours to get on the courses in the city. Some of them, it was felt, would take out memberships.

A further meeting has been called for about two weeks, when it is hoped more members will turn out, and when dues may be set. In addition, it is likely that membership and greens committees will be appointed.

Special Grants to the sum of \$5,000.

Special Grant expenditures are controlled and are chiefly on a city-wide basis—Government, Municipality and Farmer. Farmers interested should make immediate application to the office or to your councillor.

Our mixed farmers are having a difficult time. Feed is scarce and costly. Plowing for road clearance provision is made for hauling one-half loads of stock feed not exceeding two tons per load.

The distribution of information circular by Bow Valley School Division No. 43, dated December 29th, 1947, is protested by the Council in respect to the wording.

"The Department of Public Works or the Municipality, as the case may be, has not yet found it possible to improve the roads in certain areas."

The Department of Public Works and the Municipality have refused to use new plows for road clearance purposes. Specific requests in this regard have been made by the School Division without success." advanced to 45 cents per ton. The See Page 2, Column 5

M D BOW VALLEY MEETING

Council Meeting — March 22, 1948 Present— Messrs. Harwood, MacArthur, Jackson and Hartell.

After the reading and adoption of minutes of the previous meeting, the Cash Statement for the month of February was received. It was found that the sum of \$3,000.00 in excess of our cash balances was necessary to meet current accounts and quarterly payments on School Requisitions. Requisitions for school purposes have increased. 1948 figures are:—

Wheatland No. 40	50,551.48
Calgary No. 41	4,661.34
Bow Valley No. 43	36,693.20
Dana No. 2505	1,920.36

A decision was reached to arrange for a credit of \$25,000.00 from The Royal Bank of Canada and immediately borrow \$5,000. Dominion Bonds to be used as security and the interest rate to be 3½%.

Payment of a bill for road snow-clearing was refused on the grounds that the work had not been authorized by the Council. Considerable co-operation was being received from farmers in keeping roads open during the winter. It was impossible to pay for this work without jeopardizing our current roadwork programme. Experience has shown that snow-clearing is necessary to use a powerful crawler tractor and a large snow-plow to get quick results.

Roadwork Grants are again available from the Province. A capital Grant of \$10,000.00 is sought; also

National Champion



Twenty eight year old JAMES W. BUSSEY, who farms a section of land eight miles north of Ardrie, Alberta, won the national barley championship of 1947. The National Barley contest, sponsored by the breeding and malting industries, was started in 1946 and is being continued in 1948.

There were four national awards and for placing first, Mr. Bussey is awarded \$1,000. He also won \$400 for winning the provincial championship of Alberta, and another \$160 for placing first in his region. Mr. Bussey's entry was a carload of the variety Montcalm.

Farmer's Column

(Continued from last week)

If you seed a quarter of a section to a forage crop the first year of your planned conservation program. It will take from eight to twelve years to complete rotation of a farm, of one section of land. This will depend upon several factors, such as the length of time the land remains in forage or the number of crops between grassings. It has been determined that the average occupancy of farms by a farmer is approximately 30 years. This being the case, we will be obliged to start our rotation at once, or we will not be able to finish a complete rotation before we either die or sell out.

To start a rotation for either dry or irrigated land, each block, parcel or quarter of land should get a number or some other designating character. Then a page or two in some form of a permanent record book should be set up, and the rotation planned out and set down to cover a span of years.

A beginning must be made immediately if we are to farm for a beginning. I have worked out a rotation that won't be too expensive after the first year. As an example, a field of 160 acres is selected, and seeded to any mixture that will be best for the land and moisture in question. This will occupy the field during 1948 and is seeded on stubble land. This field remains in forage during 1949 and 1950. Now we begin to broaden out. Before we break up any of the grass land, we should seed another 80 acres to replace the 80 acres to be broken up. Therefore, field No. 1 and No. 2 must be divided in half. That part of the field No. 1 will be broken up, and that part of field

R. J. Milligan, District Agriculturist

No. 2 seeded down. A short step backwards to 1947 shows that field No. 2 was in summer fallow and seeded to wheat during 1948, summer-fallowed during 1949, and again to wheat in 1950. The first part of field No. 2 therefore was also seeded on stubble land. I have discussed the planting of forage crops on stubble in the fall or early spring, therefore this need not occupy space at this time.

Now the picture for 1951 is as follows: Part 1 of field one broken up and treated as breaking of virgin soil. Of the 160 acres, this would be ½ or 80 acres. Part 2 of field No. 1 would still be down to grass. Part one of field No. 2 would be down to grass, thus giving us a 160 acres in forage. 1952 shows Part 1 of field No. 1 now seeded where part 2 of field No. 1 being broken up, and part one of field No. 2 in grass as would be part two of field 2.

By following such a rotation the farmer does not have more than 160 acres to forage in any one year.

As further light falls on this rotation, we find that field one was in grass in the spring of 1948 and in grass, 1949, 50 and 80 acres broken up in 1951. Wheat follows in 1952. Oats, barley or even wheat follows in 1953 and 1954. This part of field No. 1 is now back-seed or summer-fallow.

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Last Rites Held For John Wilson

Requiem high Mass was celebrated in Sacred Heart Church, Monday at 10:30 a.m. for John Hubert Wilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wilson. Interment was in Sacred Heart Cem-

etry, Strathmore.

The pall bearers were:— Gordon MacFarlane, Arthur H. Wegener, Peter Schradoff, Eddy Wegener, Andy Klemeny and Louie Lauwersen.

EDITORIAL COMMENT

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A BOARD OF TRADE

There has been a certain amount of talk concerning a board of trade locally in the past few weeks, and sufficient interest has been evinced to make it seem practical to call a large meeting in the near future.

Men and women, farmer and townsman are all welcome at this meeting, and it is to be hoped that there is a generous representation of each group present. A board of trade should properly represent the feelings of the entire community, and there is much greater chance of its proving useful if it is thus typical of all sections.

We have no doubt that there is room for such a group in Strathmore. It could do a lot to round out the picture for all concerned. Certainly there are many spheres it could take on as useful enterprises.

Pursuing for an All-Canada highway to be constructed on our No. 1 Highway has been mentioned. Improvements of the park so that families might use it as a picnic grounds is another, and so is the establishment of a commodious parking ground. Fully as important, we think, is one which the farm section can support strongly, would be the establishment of a local rest centre where farmers, their wives and children, might just "set for awhile", when they're in town. Many of them feel the lack keenly, particularly those with small children.

There is lots of activity awaiting a Board of Trade. Everyone who is interested in promoting the town as a civic, social or business centre should be present at the meeting if at all possible.

FORE

Plans were laid by a small meeting on Wednesday night to push an aggressive policy in regard to the golf course this year, and try to re-establish the course in its old tradition.

There was a time, years ago, when the course was used by the Alberta Professional Association for its play-off matches. The course was then in good shape, was kept up, and received considerable commendation. The war years, however, took most of the younger players, and kept many of the older members busy at other occupations. Support fell off, and the course deteriorated.

It would be a shame to let the course break down completely. All that is required to put it back in excellent shape is sufficient backing in the way of members to assure funds through their dues.

Both town and country have already a large number of golfers, it is felt, and there are a large number of youngsters coming up in the schools who may be expected to take over in strength, if the course is there for them. The clubhouse needs some small repairs, but is otherwise in good shape, and could prove most useful. Golf is an excellent sport or taking people into the outdoors, and is somewhat unique in that it is one of the few sports which may be played alone.

Let's support the golf club and keep the course in operation!

and it's hardly necessary to point out that it's Spring, it's also In one Tax time.

HIGHER FREIGHT RATES

Western citizens may well watch with dismay the increase of the freight rates, followed almost immediately, it has been announced, by proposed increases in trucking rates. This means that the Western citizen, living rural, will have to pay in effect double the increase.

The concessions granted are some measure of help to the farmer, but they cannot escape the fact that everything else which they bring into the country will cost them more on both freight rates. The farmer knows, as does everyone else, that the railways cannot long continue to operate under a loss, and that their costs have increased greatly in the past few years, so that the increase must be passed on to the shipper, but it still shows the apparent policy of the dog chasing his tail, and never quite managing to catch up with it.

Latest prediction in women's styles is the addition of bonquets, rosette plants, and ferns to be worn in the bustle. But this is absurd. Think of the worry about ants in their pants.

THE NEW STAMP ISSUE

Every comment we've heard on the new four cent stamp issue has been favorable, and it seems that at last the Post Office is to be congratulated on a stamp that suits everyone.

Post Office employees like its size, it's not cumbersome. And the public generally is inclined to feel that the picture of Princess Elizabeth is a most excellent one, well portrayed.

It's a short issue, we hear, and collectors generally, because of the universal approval of the stamp, are likely to take a big part of it.

In Others' Words

SHRINKING DOLLARS

By Joseph Lister Rutledge
Facing the shrinking dollar, the average citizen quickly comes to the decision that somebody is taking an unholy advantage of him. Usually, following a customary way of thought, he assumes that it is the person who pays the salary. The next step is usually a demand that the salary or wage should increase. After all, if the Big Fellows can drive around in their Cadillac cars they ought to be able to pay higher wages. . . .

The other day one of the Big Fellows varied the monotony by stating his own case. Walter S. Carpenter, Jr., who heads the American E. I. du Pont de Nemours Company, is quite a Big Fellow. Last year his salary was \$175,000. Looking back twenty-five years Mr. Carpenter can remember when he

wasn't quite so big. His salary at that time was \$78,000. Of that amount Mr. Carpenter retained after taxes and for his own private use \$60,000. Last year, after taxes, Mr. Carpenter's spendable income was \$100,000. Still not bad, we'll admit, but still also, \$12,000 less than he had earned and kept twenty-five years previously. We have a feeling that most of us, if we were to discover that we were actually retaining of our pay 20% less than the total we earned twenty-five years ago, we would feel that we were being still more unpleasantly used. Which, perhaps, proves nothing except possibly that, in bourgeois parlance, it is an outside rather than an inside job; something that Big Fellow and Little Fellow should look into together.

A WHIFFENPOOF

After a good deal of research one of our correspondents has unearthed the ancient secret of how to capture the whiffenpoof, a creature much admired in both song and verse. It was believed for a time the secret had passed to the country of Atlantis, sunk beneath the ocean. There was some survival from this lost knowledge, but he hid the secret carefully. Our optimistic spy located it, though. The following tools are required: (1) A row boat, (2) A 2" x 4" plank, (3) A piece of cheese (any type), (4) A hammer, (5) A nail, (6) A tin of mortar. The idea is to load these varied articles aboard your row

boat and row out into the ocean. Place the bit of cheese on the crest of a passing wave. When the whiffenpoof surfaces to grab it the wave will flow out from beneath it. Slip your plank beneath it and taking nail in one hand, hammer in the other, nail firmly to plank the tail of whiffenpoof. Then pour mortar on whiffenpoof. The poor creature will be mortared to death and you have him. Although the pest of the whiffenpoof has no known commercial value, stuffed whiffenpoofs were very popular among Alaskan bar- tenders who hung them over their bars.

—Alcan Ingot

If You Have an Opinion, Say So

By Joseph Lister Rutledge
It is difficult for most of us to remember that free speech does not mean only the presenting of our opinion. Happily for us it sometimes does. But, often our conception of freedom is confused by our own personal convictions or prejudices. We are quick to demand freedom of assembly and of the press for views and opinions with which we agree. We feel that it is desirable for our side to be given freedom of the air, but if contrary opinions are expressed it is a flagrant evidence of political hegemony. If the speaker or the street orator preaches what he believes, and what we don't, we do not demand for him the right to talk his opinion to death, which is the ultimate fate of ungodly opinion. We demand that he be denied a public audience and that his voice be muffled. If it is beautifully human, but it isn't freedom.

Continually individuals and groups and governments attempt to decide what is true, what is moral and what is generally beneficial for the people. Their intentions are frequently of the best, but these are not matters to be decided by minorities. If we are to remain free, democracy is the cure of the majority and we must depend on them.

even at some danger that, before the majority has spoken, the universe, as sound or untrue doctrine or reputed fact may have been given judgment.

Two and a quarter centuries ago young Benjamin Franklin aged 16 took over the control of the "New England Courant" in Boston, his brother James Franklin, who owned the publication being temporarily behind bars for printing what the Boston city father characterized as an untrue notice. Young Franklin's first task was not to secure his brother's release, but to defend his basic right to print what he thought true. "Without freedom of thought," he said, "there can be no such thing as wisdom; and no such thing as public liberty without freedom of speech, which is the right of every man, as far as by it he does not hurt or control the right of another."

What young Franklin demanded was not what democracy implies, that the hearer and the reader, not an appointed or self-appointed censor, should decide these issues of right and wrong. Long years later a grey-haired Franklin elaborated his original opinion. "When truth and error have fair play," he said, "the former is always an overmatch for the latter." Unfortunately many well-intentioned persons have taken the wisdom and the patience to give democracy a chance.



Robert E. Brack, Clark's Crossing, Sask., proudly displays the heifer calf he was awarded by the judges for his fine progress in junior dairy work. Presented by the Quaker Oats-Pop Feed Division of The Quaker Oats Company of Canada Limited, Glenora, I. Holly Sylvia will be a very valuable addition to Robert's Holstein herd. Sponsored by J. J. McCague, Glenora Farm, Alton, Ontario. Her sire is Rag Apple Tallman, whose dam is a full sister to four times All-American Monty Rag Apple Bonheur. The calf's dam, a Mackenzie daughter, was nominated as All-Canadian 2 year old in 1945. Harold Lees, Arcola, Sask., judged as outstanding junior beef cattle worker, was awarded a valuable Hereford heifer from the show herd of John Stuart Jr., Old Orchard Farms, Peterborough.

Hirtle's Theatre

WEDNESDAY

APRIL 7

ARIZONA
William Holden
Glenn Ford and
Chair Trever
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FRI. & SAT.

APRIL 2 & 3

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ROSE
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Technicolor

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3 Tins Tomatoes—BRIMFUL

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FARMING NEWS

Produced by the Alberta
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WHY PLANT WEEDS

Does it make sense to plant ro-
tations or summer-fallow on valu-
able land to clean out weeds and
then contaminate the fields again
by sowing dirty seed? Many do
just that. Apparently they deliber-
ately plant weeds.

Of course no one is so thought-
less as to do such a thing without
cause. Everyone would like to have
clean seed to sow. What then is the
reason? It simply is that it is
troublesome and creates some ex-
pense to have clean seed so many
do not bother. Perhaps it is be-
cause they think the problem is
greater than it really is, says A. E.
Palmer, Superintendent, Dominion
Experimental Station, Lethbridge,
Alta.

A consideration of methods for
obtaining clean seed may clarify the
situation. The surest way is to
sow a seed crop free of weeds.
Many farmers do this by selecting
land that is reasonably clean and
then by rotation or fallowing and
by well planned tillage prepare it
for use as a field for seed produc-
tion. Sufficient registered or certi-
fied seed is purchased for this seed
block unless the grower has satisfac-
tory seed. The few weeds that
appear are roughed out and the
field is threshed with a well cleaned
thresher.

Where the seed block method has
not been used, it may be possible
to select clean areas in the main
fields, which can be harvested
separately. There are few farms,
especially where large acreages are
grown, where this cannot be done.
If a supply of clean seed has not
been provided, the problem is to
clean the seed. Even where weeds
are not present it usually is neces-
sary to take out the straw and
chaff to facilitate seedling.

A common practice in many grain
growing areas is to have the seed
grain cleaned in the local grain ele-
vator. This is a simple expedient
but dangerous as most elevators are
equipped only for cleaning grain for
commercial purposes. The machines,
bins and spouts cannot be properly
cleaned between lots of grains so it
is quite probable that a farmer, hav-
ing grain cleaned at an elevator, may
have weed seed and grain varie-
ties from lots preceding his, mixed
with what he thinks of as his
clean seed. He may take home bad
weeds that he did not have before
on his farm. Almost always, it is
better not to clean seed at all than
to put it through an improperly
equipped public cleaner.

Licensed seed cleaning plants over-
come this danger of contamination
by having equipment that is easily
cleaned and trained operators who
are careful to clean the plant be-
tween each lot of seed. Where a
licensed, carefully operated clean-
ing plant is available, the problem
of cleaning seed is simple and more
such plants are needed.

Where a satisfactory custom
cleaning plant is not available,
farm cleaners are desirable. Usually
a farmer does not care to put
in the expensive machinery neces-
sary to take out all weed seed but
if he has used care in producing
clean seed as suggested, he can pre-
pare the seed for planting with
inexpensive equipment and most of
the weeds may be removed even
from dry seed. At least much
fewer weed seeds will be planted if
the farm fanning mill is used and
there is no danger of introducing
weeds not already on the farm.

The wise practice then is to
grow seed as clean as possible and
prepare it for seedling by putting it
through a licensed cleaning plant or
a farm cleaner but never to take
the chance of contamination by hav-
ing cleaning done in a improperly
equipped plant.

When you cease using a still-
useful article, advertise it and
sell it for cash through the Stan-
dard Classified.

New Keys at Post Office

Wednesday afternoon a complete
key making establishment was set
up in the lobby of the local Post
Office, and a Calgary firm of key-
makers set to work to make new
keys for the various lock boxes in
the panels.

It is many years since keys have
been made for the boxes, reports
Dave Martin, Assistant Postmaster,
and many of them have been lost or
destroyed through the years. Now
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UNDER THE STREETLAMP

by PAT O'HOLEEY

The scene was a tense one in the motion picture drama. The audience sat enthralled. Suddenly the husky hero turned and slapped the heroine in the face, a resounding slap. In the stunning silence that followed, a little voice piped up, and the full house heard Harrison Gray exclaim: "Say, mom, why doesn't she hit him back like you do Pop?"

"What ticket?" asked the clerk. "I want something really nice for a present," exclaimed Jane Biscare. "For your husband?" asked Mary Snook, behind the counter. "No, from my husband," came Jane's reply, sweetly.

Two cadets were returning to camp in the summer, and teased by the roadside to look at a dead animal. "It has two stripes, so what is it?" asked Doug MacKenzie. "Just settles the question," said Fred Abell, "it's either a skunk or a corporal."

Dimchurch: "Glad to hear you have gone back to your wife." Bunkwit: "Yes, the dear girl! I didn't realize how much she meant to me until the judge set the alimony."

The Highbrowdiddles had just moved to the country from the big city in the same state. Mr. H. wanted to vote in the coming election, so one day he stumped the Town Clerk and asked: "How long must a person reside in this town before he can vote?"

Most automobile accidents happen on Saturday or Sunday, says Sid Colwell, reading insurance figures, and he goes on to comment: "A great life if you don't weekend."

A painter who was painting the ceiling in an insane asylum was approached by one of the inmates. "Stay mister, have you got a good hold on that paint brush?" "Sure. Why?" "Well, better hang on tight. I'm going to move the ladder!"

Richard West: "Hello, Betty, you still love me?" Jean: "Look, chum my name is Jean."

Richard: "Gee Whiz, I thought this was Thursday."

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FAIRPLAY

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Braden spent a few days recently in Calgary visiting their daughters, Mrs. Edith Wilson and Mrs. Bert Freeman. Mr. and Mrs. Freeman are leaving on April 2nd, for England where they will spend a month or six weeks with Mr. Freeman's parents and other relatives.

Miss Elsie Hornebeck, Dorothy Albertson and Mr. and Mrs. Silkatone of Calgary spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Albertson.

Miss May's Anderson spent a day at home while enroute from the Coast to eastern points with a short stop off at Edmonton.

Mr. and Mrs. Dumbleton, Mrs. F. Dain, Clarence Moore, and Mr. and Mrs. Albertson were among other guests who enjoyed a morning of cards at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Blue.

Guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dumbleton on Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. H. Kirkelsten and Ann. Mr. and Mrs. Bob Wrathall of Calgary were weekend guests of the latter's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Sabelfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Fraser and family and Mr. and Mrs. Danny Fraser and Terry of Turner Valley visited their parents over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Dumbleton and Mr. and Mrs. Albertson were part of a group of fourteen who enjoyed a Calgary last week for a show.

Edna and Fred spent several days in the hospital under doctors' observation. Glad to report nothing serious.

Mr. and Mrs. Danny Fraser and Terry of Turner Valley and Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Fraser motored to Pabian to spend the Easter weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Fraser and family.

In Our Backshop

We've had a lot of fun exploring the mysteries of the printing press during the past few weeks.

We were started on the whole thing when a group of judges in the newspaper competition suggested we look up this matter, so we talked with a number of expert pressmen and came home with what we thought were a parcel full of good suggestions. First of all, slow up the press. Secondly, set the rollers at the right height. Thirdly, fit new bearings to the press, and fourthly, make the packing fit the bearings.

Well, we did slow it up, and we set the rollers. We even got some new ones to set correctly. And we fixed the packing. But we were a little stumped with the bearing problem. We were anxious to get new ones, but anyone we asked wanted to know what dimensions. It seems you can't just order "a pair of bearings for a Whatifole press."

So we dug around in the files a bit, and we checked with some other printers, and we hunted some more, and eventually we found the name of an Old Country firm to whom we could write about the press.

And we got a lot of interesting information when they answered.

Our press, we learned, was shipped to Calgary in 1903. So it's now forty-five years old, and in better shape than some of us at forty-five, too. From other sources, we learned that our press had been owned by the Calgary Herald at one time, and what is now the Western Printing and Lithographing. Here it used to turn out some of those big posters and fold-ins that were dumped all over Europe advertising Canada as a wonderful land for immigrants.

They told us, too, that running the press a little faster probably wouldn't hurt it a bit. (In fact, practice seems to show that it makes it work better. At least, we like the product better.) And they finally gave us the right information on the bearings. So now all we have to do is put it to work.

Change speed twice, packing/rollers, bearings, ... some fun.

According to Ian MacKenzie, adolescence is when children begin to question the answers.

He: "Did the doctor see if your leg was alright?" She: "I'll ask! He had me limp before I left his office."

CARSELAND

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Thacker spent the Easter weekend with Mr. and Mrs. E. Krueger.

Mr. Wm. Berquist returned last week after spending the winter months out at the Coast with his sons.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Gilham, Patsy and Mrs. Lennox Sr. spent the Easter holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Lennox of Calgary.

Mrs. L. Kruse and Lorraine accompanied by her mother, Mrs. J. Hall of Delamere returned last week from a two month trip in the States, where they were visiting with relatives in New York.

Among those home from Calgary for the Easter holidays were Helen and Kathleen McKinnon, Grace Zeinick, Margaret Cool, Jean Martin, Cathrine Lansen, Dick Mace, Jimmy Mutch and Keith McKinnon.

Bob Field has purchased Virg Chamber's gravel truck which he intends to put on a water haul with Standard Gravel this spring. The best of luck to you Bob.

Bill Hansen is spending two weeks holidaying at home.

Mrs. Gwen Hunt and Bill Julian spent Easter Sunday at the manse with Rev. and Mrs. Hunt.

Miss Emily Stencem spent the Easter holidays with Mrs. Stencem's folks at Medicine Hat.

We are glad to report that Mrs. O. Blair is on her way to recovery after her recent attack of pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Foster spent

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Excerpts from an address by Dr. Walter C. Lowdermilk, Assistant Chief, U.S. Soil Conservation Service, Washington, D.C., presented to the Utah State Soil Conservation Convention on February 26, 1946:

"Where mankind has lived in an organized state longest, there the land is in the worst condition and people are usually in a condition of poverty and backwardness."

"Not until we have worked out a righteous adjustment in the relationship of man to the soil is there any hope of peace on earth or good will among men. This is one of the most vital and fundamental problems facing each group, community, state and the world today because hungry people do not keep treaties, and hungry people will not stay within their borders. If we are going to build a peaceful world we will have to begin with the land which gives us our food supply."

"A standard of living of a people rises when an individual produces more of one commodity than he uses and begins to trade his surplus for other commodities."

"The farmer and the land comprise a silent partnership which is so vitally important in maintaining the food supply of the nation."

"The hazards of cultivation, of

clearing away the natural soil perfection is especially great on sloping land. Here our problem is most acute. When we clear away the protective covering from sloping land by grazing or cultivation or burning we expose the soil to the rain and the wind and thereby induce erosion which goes on at rates far in excess to the normal production of new soil. This is the hazard of cultivation. It must be controlled. If no controlled production of soil will be minimized erosion will result in the decline of the people depending on it."

"There are 72,000,000 acres of flat lands and 200,000,000 acres of sloping lands in the United States. Our big problem is how to increase the intake capacity of the soil, how to make possible the storage of rain in the soil. We can do that by im-

proving the organic content of the soil, by strip cropping, and by contour plowing. Where rains exceed the capacity of intake of soils, we must provide means of taking off the rain so that it might not cut or destroy the soil with its accumulation of silt. This can be done with the construction of outlet channels. We should increase the land's fertility and use with the various types of engineering structures now available. Run-offs from unusually heavy storms must be taken care of."

"An agricultural adjustment must be made. This is a new pattern of farming for America. It is our answer to this problem of what to do about losing our soils."

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CHRISTIAN SCIENCE
Christian Science churches Sunday will have a lesson-sermon on "Unreality." This subject will be expounded in the reading of passages like these: "And the loftiness of man shall be bowed down, and the haughtiness of men shall be made low; and the Lord alone shall be exalted in that day." (Isaiah 2:17). "In Science, you can have no power opposed to God, and the physical senses must give up their false testimony." (Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures, by Mary Baker Eddy, p. 192).

the support of the whole social structure, come from the land. Increased farmer efficiency will bring him higher purchasing power."

"It is the responsibility of the district supervisor to see that the farmer takes advantage of all the technical advice and information at his disposal."

STOBBART NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Tower returned Wednesday after a four week holiday in the States.

Mrs. Ed. Ferguson had a tonsilectomy at the Holy Cross Hospital one day last week, and is progressing fine.

Mrs. Minnie MacLean has moved her furniture to Gleichen, where she has purchased a house. We wish her and her family every happiness in their new home.

Mr. Jack Hewitson has been on the sick list for some time. Cheer up Jack. Spring is here.

Roy Foster was a Calgary visitor Saturday.

Don Foster entertained a few Gleichen people at his home Saturday evening.

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FARMER'S COLUMN

followed during 1955 and sown to wheat in 1956. Then seeded back to grass in 1957. In other words when this part I of field 1 was broken up in 1951, there were four crops taken off with only one following.

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RURAL GLEICHEN

Mrs. G. T. Jones entertained at a dinner in honor of Mr. Jones 80th birthday recently. Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Erford, Mr. and Mrs. P. Kirstien, Mr. and Mrs. Parkinson came in during the evening and all enjoyed a pleasant social evening together.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Kennedy of Comfrey, Sask., are guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Pettit. Mrs. Kennedy is Mr. Pettit's sister.

A large leak has developed in the water main in Gleichen. The water is coming up out of the ground in the centre of main street and flooding the street at corner of Anderson's Hardware Store. Sure is a sorry looking sight.

Mrs. J. O. Bogstie, who recently underwent an operation, is recovering nicely in a Calgary hospital.

Ed Menard, owing to illness, is confined to his bed and will be for several weeks. His friends hope to see him about soon and in better health. Mr. Menard has harbored in Gleichen for many years.

Thursday evening the Gleichen High School students held an enjoyable social event in the Veterans Hall.

Donald and Dale Hunter left Monday morning by train for Calgary. Donald going to Edmonton Tuesday for a few days visit in Edmonton. Dale will visit his friend Jimmie Gorrell for the holiday week.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Duncan had a few guests in for Easter dinner Sunday.

George E. Bell, M.L.A., who spent Easter with his family, returned Monday to Edmonton.

Miss Ethel Bates, who is attending business college in Calgary is spending the Easter vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. Bates.

Mr. and Mrs. K. Sammons and family and Mr. and Mrs. D. Sammons were Sunday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. Sammons. Mrs. D. Sammons, who is teaching at Brant, is spending the Easter holidays with her family in Gleichen.

Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Jones had as their guests Mr. and Mrs. Harry Jones and 2 daughters from Gids for several days last week.

George Desjardine of Cluny visited his daughter and family over the Easter weekend.

Mr. S. Hampton returned from Regina Monday morning, where he spent the Easter weekend with his son Leslie.

Mrs. W. F. Erford and grand daughter Peggy were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. Duncan Sunday.

Mr. J. Cochrane went to Calgary Monday morning to spend a few days.

Facts About Prairie Agriculture

The agricultural trend in the provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta is towards a smaller farm population and larger farms. The federal census taken in the year 1946 showed that in these three provinces the number of farms declined by 26,823 as compared with the census figures of 1941, while the farm population in the same period went down 145,240. The average size of a farm in the prairie provinces was 425 acres in 1946 as compared with 405 acres in 1941.

The following table gives the number of farms in the three prairie provinces in 1941 and 1946:

No. of farms 1941	296,469
No. of farms 1946	269,646

The farm population figures for Alberta were:

1946	1941	Decline
231,000	332,964	101,964

The increased mechanization of agriculture is largely responsible for the decrease in farm population.



212 BATTERY, F TROOP NOTES

Word has been received that summer camp will be held for a week starting July 17, 1948.



Church Notes

STRATHMORE UNITED CHURCH
11:00 a.m. Sunday School
7:30 p.m. Public Worship.

KAMAKIA
2:00 p.m. Church Service and Sunday School.

LANGDON BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday 11:00 a.m. Sunday School and Bible Class.

7:30 p.m. Evangelistic Service.
Thursday 8:00 Prayer and Praise
Friday 8:00 p.m. Young Peoples
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Carlsland —
Easter Mass at Carlsland 10:00 a.m.

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Services every Sunday, except the first Sunday of the month at 1:00 p.m. Anglican service, at Carlsland, 10:30 a.m. (Inclusive of Fellowship Service and Church school combined.)

12:00 noon Carlsland (Worship Service and Church school combined.)

3:00 p.m. Mossleigh (Worship Service and Church school combined.)

Services on the first and third Sundays of the month —
12:00 noon Langdon (Worship Service and Church school combined.)

7:00 p.m. Dalroy-Lyall at Lyall
7:30 p.m. Kathryn

STANDARD LUTHERAN CHURCH
Saturday, April 3, 2:30 The Confirmation class will meet.

Sunday, April 4, 10:30 Communion Services, Danish 12:00 Sunday School and Bible classes. 7:30 The Y.P.S. will meet.

Friday, April 9, 2:00 The United Ladies Aid will meet in the parsonage.

ANGELICAN PARISH OF STRATHMORE — GLEICHEN
Sunday, April 4th, 1948
Easter I

St. Michael's, Strathmore, 10:00 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Holy Communion
—Preacher— Rev. A. S. Wood

7:30 p.m. Evening Prayer
Carlsland —
1:00 p.m. Holy Communion

and the increase in the average size of the farm. With modern machinery a man can handle much more land than was the case with horses and old type machinery. There are other factors which influence the trend away from the farms. During the war thousands of young men left agricultural pursuits for the armed forces and for employment in manufacturing industries. Then, many farm families sold out moving to urban centres where living conditions were better.

Here is a statistical picture of the average prairie farm:

Average farm family, persons	4.4
Size of farm, acres	426
Area cropped, acres	154
Number of horses	5
Number of cattle	14
Number of sheep	4
Number of pigs	7
Poultry	100
Farm capital	\$9,951
Net value of production	\$3,013
Net farm income per farm	\$2,219

Quoting the figure of the average farm does not give a true indication of the situation. For instance, the average size farm in Alberta was 456 acres. The range of farm holdings in this province was as follows:

Size of farm, acres	No. of farms
101-200	28,300
201-299	4,200
300-479	25,800
480-629	10,000
630-829	9,000
830 and over	7,200

—The Budget

MORE MONEY FOR FARMERS

Friends of the farmers are trying to persuade the Government to give farmers higher prices, hence more money, for their grains. There is one method, however, by which the farmer himself, by his own efforts, can increase his income, which is by making his own crop more valuable. It is found that a crop produced from a variety that is suitable to the district, and produced from seed that is true-to-variety will give both a higher yield and a higher grade than crops produced from ordinary seed which may consist of unsuitable or of mixed varieties.

The use of a few bushels of Registered or Certified seed will greatly improve the yield and quality of crops. Thousands of farmers now adopt the method of sowing each year a few bushels of the very best Registered or Certified seed on a few acres of nice clean land. They harvest the seed crop with care, save the seed and sow it the next year on a much larger area. In this way in two or three years, at a small expenditure in cash, any farmer can have a true-to-variety crop that will mature evenly and give the highest possible yield and highest possible grade that climatic conditions will permit.

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By
D. M. McLEAN,
Assistant Director,
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Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Stubble Mulch Farming

Tilling the soil in such a way that crop residues are left on the surface is generally called stubble mulch farming. This practice is widely recommended as a soil conservation measure in the dry land areas of Western Canada, particularly where wind erosion has been a menace or may become so again in the future.

Farmers who adopt this type of tillage have to use subsurface equipment which will till the soil thoroughly without completely burying the residue. Recently, machines of the cultivator type, with wider tillage blades coupled to fewer and stronger shanks, have come into prominence. Although a stubble mulch is mechanically feasible and desirable for erosion control, it is limited in that it tends to restrict its wide adoption.

For many districts of the open prairie area however, the advantages of stubble mulch farming greatly outweigh the disadvantages. In the first place, this type of tillage is less costly than most other methods. Furthermore, it is known that soils protected with stubble mulch absorb moisture more readily and retain it longer than do bare soils. When raindrops strike bare soil, the structure of the soil particles may be broken down, forming a compact surface layer which reduces water intake and increases run-off. Undrained crop residue, well distributed over the surface, will reduce the wind velocity so that soil particles are less likely to move.

From a point of view of yield there appears to be a definite tendency for stubble mulching to show to advantage under conditions of low rainfall. On the other hand, under humid conditions lower yields may result. Yield reductions of this kind, caused by a lack of available soil nitrates, can be compensated for by applying 25 to 50 pounds of 16-20 ammonium phosphate per acre.

If stubble mulching is to be more widely accepted by the farmers, and if more farmers are to be discouraged from burning stubble and straw then more field investigation work is needed to find answers to some of the problems that confront farmers who are now using this practice in Western Canada.

TRAIN TIME TABLE—

WESTBOUND—
No. 1 ————— 9:12 p.m.
No. 2 ————— 7:15 a.m.

EASTBOUND—
No. 2 ————— 7:57 a.m.
No. 4 ————— 9:33 p.m.

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Spring Moisture in Crop Production

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The above are the conclusions of the Lethbridge Experimental Station after a prolonged study. Soil determinations made in the fall of

1947 at Lethbridge indicate there should be enough moisture in the soil this spring to warrant seeding some stubble fields. Farmers are advised to take a posthole digger or shovel and make investigations for themselves.

In the Lethbridge district the yield of wheat on summerfallow has been over 20 bushels an acre for 27 of the past 36 years, and in only 4 years has the yield been less than 15 bushels an acre.

During the past 24 years yields of wheat on stubble average 15.1 bushels, and during that time yields greater than 10 bushels an acre were obtained on 17 occasions. The conclusion is that quite often it is advantageous to seed wheat on stubble.

In The Legislature

By Geo. E. Bell M.L.A.

This last week saw the adoption of the Budget after several lengthy debates. This will be the largest budget of this Province, with a total estimated revenue from Income Account of over \$45 million, and from Capital Account over \$1 1/2 million. Expenditures estimated on Income Account nearly \$56 1/2 million and on Capital Account an expenditure of over \$16 1/2 million. This will mean that if estimates work out as suggested, there will have to be taken from reserves of past years over \$6 million.

There will be very substantial increases in expenditures for Education, Health, Public Welfare, Public Work and Agriculture.

This year we will see the start of a new T.B. Sanatorium, Edmonton, considerable expansion of our Mental Hospitals, Agricultural Schools and expansion of old age and health services.

The past week saw a very heated debate on the new Farmers' Income Tax form. After a lengthy debate by Mr. Leesmer, C.C.P., Mr. Sayer, S.C., Mr. Gilliland, S.C., and Mr. Hammel, S.C., an amendment was passed unanimously, requesting the Federal authorities to enable the farmers to use either the Cash Income statement or the Net Worth statement, whichever one was desired. This, we now understand, is being considered by Ottawa.

A Committee has been set up by the Legislature consisting of the Hon. Mr. Hooper, Mr. McDonald, Mr. Gilliland, and Mr. Hammel, S.C., Didsbury, to inquire into the advisability or otherwise of the Government providing Automobile Insurance. This gives the Committee the right to investigate any and all Automobile and Liability Insurance in any part of Canada or elsewhere, such investigation to be reported at the next session.

Changes in the Vehicles and Highway Traffic Act now read: "That no vehicle, other than one used by a fireman, a policeman, or as an ambulance, can carry red light or flashing lights other than clearance or signalling lights." It establishes a speed limit of 55 miles an hour, and 45 miles an hour when lights are needed. Speed limits will be set in designated highway areas under construction or repair, and signs will be erected indicating the speed there. Any motor vehicle commencing to pass another vehicle must now sound its horn. Bicyclists and other slow-moving vehicles must keep to the extreme right side of the travelled road; and although bicyclists and motorcyclists or horsemen may ride two abreast, upon being overtaken, they are required to travel in single file as near to the right side of the highway as conditions permit.

A bill was introduced this week enabling the Veterans of the Northern Land Clearing Project to obtain seed when unable to do so the selves in the first year that such issues in possession of the land, and for the second year in the event that the crop is a failure the first year. The money owing for such seed shall be paid in cash or by a share of the crop.

This bill must receive final assent from the Legislature, but in all probability will pass without any opposition.

As the Legislature will end this week, this will be the last report for this session. I wish to take this opportunity of thanking the Editor of your paper for publishing these reports, and hope they have been of interest to all the readers.

OBITUARIES

MRS. WILLIAM EYE

Funeral services for Mrs. William Clarence (Ada Clarinda) Eye, 71, of Cheadle, who died Monday in Holy Cross Hospital were held Thursday at 1:30 p.m. in August funeral home. Rev. R. S. Hunt officiated and burial was in Union cemetery.

Mrs. Eye was born in Weston, Iowa and moved to Calgary 35 years ago. Several years later she moved to the Langdon Cheadle district where her husband farmed. She was a member of the Cheadle W. W. Club.

Besides her husband she is survived by two brothers, Alfred Tucker of Albany, Ore., and Frank King of Peoria, Ill.; one sister, Mrs. Effie Bliss of Boulder, Col.

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Local News Items

Miss Gladys Hutchings has a guest through the Easter week her sister, Miss Glenna Hutchings, from Macleod.

Mrs. W. E. Julian arrived home from Seattle on Monday, after spending a month's visit with her daughter, Mrs. Carl Michiminen. Bill Julian came home from University over the Easter weekend, returning Monday, to finish the year.

Mrs. Florence Gillespie arrived on Monday's train to spend a few days visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Garrett, and family.

Miss Mary Fowen and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Brown stopped off at the Fowen home for a short visit on Sunday afternoon.

The inspection of the local Bank was completed on Tuesday, and the staff feels greatly relieved that it's over again.

Mrs. C. W. Chase received the sad news of the passing of her only remaining brother in Detroit, Michigan on March 25.

Mrs. Keith Baldwin entertained at Ten Tuesday and Wednesday in compliment to three new residents who have recently come to make their homes in Strathmore, Mrs. Rodgers, Mrs. Crockett, and Mrs. Snyder.

Mrs. Folk arranged a happy informal evening Thursday in honor of Mrs. Corbett, who was Mrs. Risdon's house guest.

Mrs. Alice Selley and Beverly are spending several days in Edmonton.

Mrs. Folk is among the many who are seeing Barbara Ann Scott in her clever skating entertaining.

Mrs. Fred Holmes has arrived in town, called here by the serious illness of her father. Celia Bower has also arrived home from Trenton Ontario.

Mrs. Marcom spent Easter Sunday at Crowfoot with Mr. and Mrs. Nola White and Miss Lois White, who came down from the Holy Cross Hospital to enjoy the Easter weekend at home.

Other students home from the U. of A. were Lawrence Way, Ray Bower and Walter Boissevain.

Misses Grace and Mary Risdon were home for the holiday weekend.

Mrs. Maggie Sr. is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Magge in Strathmore for the week.

Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Hughes are expecting to arrive home this weekend from the Coast, where they have been holidaying for the past month.

Mrs. M. Folk arrived home Thursday evening, after spending a short visit in Calgary for three or four days.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Milligan motored to Lethbridge on Wednesday, where they will spend three or four days visiting Miss Eleanor Mayhew, Mrs. Milligan's sister. Miss Fusako Takeda is staying with the Milligan lady while their parents are away.

Miss Enid Baldwin reports that the swimming safety group of which she is a member is working like trojans, trying to complete the course in the short period allowed them during the holidays. They start work at eight in the morning, she says, and continue right on through the evening. However, Enid finds it extremely interesting.

The full staff of Co-op and many workers from Calgary were on hand Wednesday afternoon and evening to take inventory closing off sometime late in the evening.

Mr. Jack Risdon, who was working for some months in the oil fields around Leduc, has returned to Strathmore for a short time, and is back at the machine shop again.

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IN MEMORIAM

KEARNS

In loving memory of my dear husband, Robert John Kearns, who passed away March 30th, 1947. When evening shadows are falling, No one can see us weep To our hearts there comes a longing.

We will always keep To know we never said good-bye, But the hearts that always loved him.

Are the ones that don't forget. Sadly missed by his loving wife Alice, son and daughters.*

CARD OF THANKS

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wilson and family wish to thank their relatives and friends for the kindness and sympathy shown them during their sad bereavement, also for the beautiful floral tributes.*

Business visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Doug Hirtle over Wednesday night were Mr. and Mrs. George Farros, of Winnipeg.

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FOR SALE—WEANER AND FEEDER PIGS. Apply W. A. Freeman, Ardenode. 25n

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FOR SALE—1/2 SECTION OF Wheat land 5 miles east of town on highway and power line. Apply 1.2995 Calgary. 3alp

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BOW VALLEY

Municipality will pay the first 35 cents per can and the farmer the balance of purchase price.

One application for Old Age Pension and one application for Pension for the Blind were approved. One Mothers' Allowance was cancelled March 1st, 1948.

Township 23, Range 25, eligible for 1947 Prairie Farm Assistance. Crested Wheat Grass seed is in short supply, other grass seeds fairly plentiful.

Additional repairs were ordered for our construction machinery.

Other routine business was transacted.

This briefly covers the highlights of the meeting. Ratepayers are asked to notify the Municipal office if this form of minute publication is not approved by them.

The cost of Gopher Poison has

NOTICE

Citizens are requested to clear the snow from the sidewalks in front of their property, in accordance with the Town by-law. Those who find it impossible to cooperate may have the Town arrange to clear the walks, and be charged for same.

M. B. Garrett,
Secretary-Treasurer.

NOTICE

Citizens of Strathmore requiring Town lots for gardens this season are requested to forward their applications to the secretary without delay.

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MISCELLANEOUS

TWO PINTS OF BERLOU SPRAYED on your 5x12 rug protects it from moth damage for 5-years or Berlou pays the damage. Average cost only 50c per year. Thurston's Drug Store, Strathmore. EDIT PAGE

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